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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT PROCEDURES AND
ALGERIAN POLICIES

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1. ON APRIL 1 POLITICAL OFFICER DUNBAR AND I CALLED ON
FOREIGN MINISTRY POLITICAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR AND NUMBER
THREE MAN ADJALI FOR TOUR D'HORIZON ON MATTERS OF MUTUAL
INTERST. (OTHER SUBJECTS REPORTED SEPTELS.) ADJALI
HAD FOLLOWING POINTS TO MAKE ON NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT (NAM)
PROCEDURES AND ALGERIAN POLICY VIS-A-VIS ATTENDANCE AT VARIOUS
NAM GATHERINGS.

2. ORGANIZATION AND PROCEDURES: NAM HAS NO SECRETARIAT
OR PERMANENT OFFICE OF ANY KIND. COUNTRY WHOSE CHIEF OF
STATE SERVING AS PRESIDENT HANDLES ALL STAFF WORK. IN
CASE ALGERIA, WORK IS PERFORMED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY ON
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AD HOC BASIS. THERE NO OFFICE SET ASIDE FOR PURPOSE.

3. PROPOSALS TO BE CONSIDERED BY NAM ARE ADDRESSED TO COUNTRY WHOSE CHIEF OF STATE CURRENTLY PRESIDING AND ARE NORMALLY CONSIDERED FIRST BY NON-ALIGNED COORDINATING COMMITTEE (NACC) FOREIGN MINISTERS. THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS THEN GO TO FOREIGN MINISTERS PLEANARY CONFERENCE AND THENCE TO NAM SUMMIT. NACC FOREIGN MINISTER'S MEETING MOST IMPORTANT OF ENTIRE PROCESS BECAUSE ITS RECOMMENDATIONS NORMALLY ACCEPTED WITHOUT CHANGE BY PLENARY AND SUMMIT.

4. ALGERIAN POLICY ON CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE: THERE THREE CATEGORIES OF ATTENDANCE: FULL MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS OF LIBERATION MOVEMENT, AND OBSERVERS. ONLY FULL MEMBERS HAVE NOTE. GOA POLICY ON OBSERVERS IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. OVERALL OBJECTIVE IS TO BREAK DOWN BLOCS, AND ALGERIANS THEREFORE ENCOURAGE ATTENDANCE AS OBSERVERS BY WIDE RANGE OF COUNTRIES. THUS, PRESENCE AT NAC AS OBSERVERS OF AUSTRIA, FINLAND AND SWEDEN CONSIDERED DESIRABLE AND WILL PROBABLY BE UPDATED THIS YEAR, ALTHOUGH INVITATIONS NOT YET SENT. IN 1973 ADJALI SUFFERED WHAT HE CONSIDERED "PERSONAL SETBACK" WHEN HIS PROPOSAL THAT SWITZERLAND BECOME OBSERVER DID NOT FLY.

B. HOWEVER, DESPITE THIS DOCTRINE, ATTENDANCE BY COUNTRY FORMALLY COMMITTED TO A BLOC NOT POSSIBLE, IN GOA'S VIEW. THUS GOA WILL OPPOSE APPLICATION BY BULGARIA TO ATTEND AS OBSERVE IF MADE. ALGERIANS CONSIDER ROMANIA'S POSITION TO BE DIFFERENT, AND ADJALI IMPLIED THEY WILL SUPPORT ITS APPLICATION FOR OBSERVER STATUS.PARKER

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